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**Mail Stop Patent Application**

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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: LEVEL DETECTION CIRCUIT, PHASE CHANGE DETECTION CIRCUIT,  
AND OPTICAL DISK APPARATUS

Inventor: Satoru KOJIMA

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 23 pages, including 3 independent claims and 9 claims total.
2. Drawings - 6 sheets of formal drawings containing 17 figures (figures 1-14).
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to KABUSHIKI KAISHA TOSHIBA.
5. Certified copy of Japanese Application No. 2003-187023, filed June 30, 2003.
6. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with 1 document attached.

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7. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee				\$770	\$ 770.00
	Number of Claims	Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	9	-	20	x \$18	
Independent Claims	3	-	3	x \$86	
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\$770.00 filing fee; and  
\$40.00 Assignment recordation fee.

Applicant claims the right to priority based on Japanese Application No. 2003-187023, filed June 30, 2003.

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Please accord this application an application number and filing date and record and return the Assignment to the undersigned.

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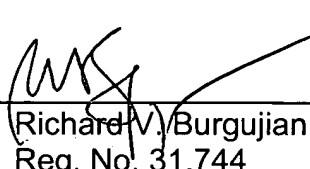
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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